

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-32 (canceled)

1 **Claim 33 (previously presented):** A jacket assembly for
2 a cable, the jacket assembly comprising:
3 an elongated jacket comprising a first open end and a
4 second open end;
5 a leader extending within the jacket from the first
6 open end to the second open end;
7 a first end of the leader for attachment to a cable;
8 and
9 a second end of the leader for pulling the leader out
10 of the elongated jacket while the first end of the leader
11 pulls the cable into the elongated jacket,
12 wherein the leader comprises a material that narrows
13 as the leader is elongated by a pulling force.

Claims 34-36 (canceled)

1 **Claim 37 (previously presented):** A jacket assembly for
2 a ribbon cable, the jacket assembly comprising:
3 an elongated vinyl jacket comprising a flattened tube-

4 shaped outer wall, a first open end, a second open end, and
5 an inner surface of the outer wall;

6 a felt leader extending in a longitudinal direction
7 within the jacket from the first open end to the second
8 open end;

9 a first end of the felt leader for attachment to a
10 ribbon cable; and

11 a second end of the felt leader for pulling the felt
12 leader out of the elongated jacket while the first end of
13 the felt leader pulls the cable into the elongated vinyl
14 jacket, wherein the felt leader narrows and pulls away from
15 the inner surface of the outer wall when a pulling force is
16 applied to the second end of the felt leader in the
17 longitudinal direction.

1 **Claim 38 (previously presented):** A jacket assembly
2 according to claim 37, wherein the felt leader is shaped as
3 a continuous strip for having dimensions being
4 approximately the same as dimensions of the ribbon cable.

1 **Claim 39 (previously presented):** A jacket assembly
2 according to claim 37, wherein the vinyl jacket has been
3 extruded around the felt leader.

1 **Claim 40 (previously presented):** A jacket assembly
2 according to claim 37, wherein the vinyl jacket comprises

3 PVC.

1 **Claim 41 (previously presented):** A jacket assembly
2 according to claim 37, wherein the jacket assembly is
3 provided as a roll for cutting off a desired length.